

WHITLOCK'S, 313 East Broad Street**We Know You Have Been Waiting for Our Cut in Prices**

for you have confidence in us when we offer a reduction. It is not imaginary, but real.

200 Phipps' Tailored Hats that sold up to \$7.50, now **\$2.50**

150 Phipps' Dress Hats that sold up to \$12.50, now **\$6.00**

Trimmed Hats that sold up to \$10.00, now **\$5.00**

Untrimmed Hats, in velvets, plush and felts, at **ONE-HALF** original price.

See Our Marabou Set for \$10.00

FURS FOR LADIES AND CHILDREN.

WHITLOCK'S Give What They Advertise.**STRANGE REPORTS BY GRAND JURIES**

No Evidence of Tax-Dodging Found, but Figures Do Not Agree.

MISTAKES NOT CORRECTED

Elizabeth City Says Returns Are All Right, but Should Be Improved.

Some curious reports are being received by State Auditor C. Lee Moore from those courts of the State which have been investigating the tax returns. Findings of grand juries do not always agree with the records.

For instance, the grand jury of Cumberland County reports that it could find no evidence whatever of tax-dodging among its citizens. Auditor Moore has now written a letter inquiring how much time the jury gave to the consideration of this subject.

Now, in Cumberland County there was on February 1 of this year only the total of \$7,059 on deposit in banks belonging to the people of the county. Yet the amount on deposit in the county's banks at the time, according to the sworn statements of the cashiers of these institutions, was \$11,867.71. While it is possible some of the money on deposit in the county belongs to outsiders, it would seem equally likely that some of the citizens of the county bank elsewhere.

Only one man in Cumberland, according to the sworn tax returns, had an income of more than \$2,000 last year. He gives in a total of \$4,900, \$2,900 of which is taxable. All the other 9,194 of the population receive less than \$2,000 the year.

The Middlesex County grand jury reports that it found no probable case where false and fraudulent returns were made. It does not say that mistakes were not made, nor does it say that an opportunity was given, under the law, to correct these mistakes. It was the sworn duty of the jury to give such opportunity.

Elizabeth City County has made two attempts. The first grand jury was reported to have found in a general way that personal and real property is undervalued; that merchants had made fair returns of their purchases, and that incomes were fairly reported.

Auditor Moore then wrote to the judge of the Circuit Court, presupposing that a special jury would be summoned to take up the tax probe. This was done, and the jury now reports that the average value of property there is equal to that of other counties in the State. It further recommends that in future commissioners of the revenue visit the homes, see property for themselves and assess it accordingly to law.

VETERAN KILLS HIS SON

Shoots Him Down Despite Daughter's Efforts to Secure Gun. Dalton, Ga., Dec. 10.—Despite the efforts of his daughter to secure possession of the shotgun, A. R. Davis, aged seventy-five years, shot and killed his son, Hewlett Davis, near here yesterday. Since separating from his wife two months ago, Davis is said to have ordered his son to stay away from the father's residence. The killing resulted when Hewlett Davis entered the home yesterday. Davis is a Confederate veteran. He is under arrest charged with murder.

CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION.

Williamsburg, Va., December 10.—James City Circuit Court, Judge D. G. Tyler presiding, convened here yesterday morning with a large attendance. The case of the Commonwealth against Lewis Moore, charged with felonious assault upon William Graves, was heard, the jury rendering a verdict of guilty this morning and fixing Moore's penalty at one year in the penitentiary. Both are negroes.

The only case of importance on the docket at this term is that of the Commonwealth against John A. Barnes, supervisor from Powhatan District, James City County, who was cited to appear to show cause why he should not be removed from office. Mr. Barnes is represented by Manly H. Barnes, of New Kent, and Frank Armistead, of Williamsburg, while Norvell L. Henley represents the Commonwealth. The case was called late this afternoon, and will consume some time, as there are a number of witnesses on both sides.

At a stated communication last night, Williamsburg Lodge, No. 8, A. F. & A. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. A. Bowditch, worshipful master; E. W. Hopewell, senior warden; L. R. Ferguson, junior warden; H. M. Sweeney, secretary; Dr. G. A. Hanks, treasurer; S. L. Graham, senior deacon; E. H. Saunders, junior deacon.

While making some researches in

SECRETS OF LONDON

Complexion Doctor

(From Society World.)

Famous specialists in the west end of London who cater to titled ladies and others of social prominence employ a remarkable method of complexion rejuvenation. One undergoing this treatment visits the beauty doctor late in the afternoon, has something dabbed over her face, then, heavily veiled, departs in a closed motor car. This is repeated daily for a week or so, when a complexion of snowy purity and exquisite delicacy is in evidence.

The secret of this marvelous treatment is—ordinary mercerized wax. Any one can apply the wax without assistance of a specialist. An ounce of it costs very little at any drug store obtainable in this country as well as in England. It is used like cold cream, before retiring, and washed off mornings. Its success is due to a peculiar absorbent property which gradually removes worn-out particles of cuticle, revealing the younger, healthier skin beneath.

A wonderful wrinkle-chaser, also in vogue among Englishwomen, is prepared by dissolving an ounce of powdered sassafras in a half pint witch hazel. Used as a wash lotion, this completely and quickly effaces even the deepest lines.

(Advertisement.)

Bachrach's
BEATS THEM ALL.
Jewelry buy Diamonds from us. How about you? We will deem it a pleasure if you give us the opportunity to show you through our beautiful array of choice pieces for Christmas gifts. Compare our prices, and you will buy from us your
Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware Novelties, etc., etc.

Richmond Loan Office,
S. BACHRACH, Prop.,
815 Broad Street.
Be Sure and See Us.

GOOD FOR THE EYES
DOING ONE THING WELL—
MAKING GOOD GLASSES

THE S. GALESKI OPTICAL CO.
KODAK HEADQUARTERS
MAIN AND BROAD STS.

PAINTS
Original
Tanner Paint & Oil Co.
1417 and 1419 East Main.
Richmond, Va.

SAFETY VALVE TO HIGH PRICES.
Globe Clothing

JURY IN ALLEN CASE NOT ABLE TO AGREE

After Deliberating for Several Hours, Ordered Locked Up for Night.

ONE ASKS TO BE DISCHARGED

Closing Speeches Made at Morning Session by Buxton and Wysor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Wytheville, Va., December 10.—At 9 o'clock the jury in the Allen case, not having returned to the court room, the judge sent for them, and upon learning that a verdict had not been reached adjourned court until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. One of the jurors arose and stated he did not think it possible for them to agree, and asked to be discharged, but the judge replied that he did not feel justified in discharging them to-night.

Court was adjourned until 7:30 o'clock to-night, at which time this request was complied with, and the matter of a verdict further considered by the jury.

All six of the speeches in the case were of high order, and the salient points on each side were fully and ably argued. The most prominent feature of argument was to establish a conspiracy on the part of the prosecution, which was ably resisted by application of the evidence by counsel for defense. It was also contended that if there was no conspiracy, that if the accused was intentionally aiding another who killed W. M. Foster, or himself premeditatedly killed him, he was guilty of murder in the first degree.

The two losing speeches in the case were made this morning by Judge J. C. Buxton, of Winston-Salem, N. C., for the defense, and J. C. Wysor, for the prosecution.

The prisoner's wife and two little daughters and a woman friend were in court when argument was resumed this morning. Every member of the prisoner's family shows the effect of the strain under which they have gone since the trial began.

Allen's fight for his life and liberation from imprisonment will be taken to the Virginia Court of Appeals, regardless of the verdict. Should there be a verdict of murder in the second degree, other indictments are pending against him which will be heard.

With Christmas so near at hand it is hardly probable that the case of Wesley Edwards, who is also charged with shooting up the court, will come

FURTHER INQUIRY IS RECOMMENDED

Grand Jury Does Not Find Sufficient Evidence to Bring Presentment in "Boy Guide" Case.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Alexandria, Va., December 10.—The grand jury, which yesterday morning in the Corporation Court began a probe regarding the death of Patrick Buckley, the "Boy Guide," whose body was found beside the tree escape in the rear of the old Braddock House Sunday morning, November 17 last, this afternoon reported to the court as follows: "The grand jury does not find sufficient evidence to bring a presentment in the case of the death of Patrick Buckley, but recommend that further efforts be made by the proper authorities to receive additional evidence in the case."

The grand jury also recommended that the proper authorities be compelled to keep a closer supervision over the Braddock House. Presentments were also returned by the grand jury against three saloonkeepers for selling liquor to minors.

J. M. Duncan was foreman of the grand jury, and it was adjourned over by Judge L. C. Bailey until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Arguments to set aside the assessment of \$200,000 on the city gas plant and \$60,000 on the City Hall building, recently made by Commissioner of Revenue Charles H. Callahan, will be made in the Corporation Court to-morrow morning by Corporation Attorney Samuel P. Fisher. The efforts will be resisted by Attorney-General Samuel W. Williams and Commonwealth's Attorney Samuel G. Brent on behalf of the State. Should the assessment stand it will mean that the city will have to pay the State of Virginia an annual tax of \$260 on this property. The assessment was made at the instance of C. Lee Moore, State Auditor.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting Monday next for the purpose of considering the alleged bad freight service, mail service and transportation service generally on the Bluemont branch of the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad Company.

He Does Not Think Jury Will Agree

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Wytheville, Va., December 10.—At 9 o'clock the jury in the Allen case, not having returned to the court room, the judge sent for them, and upon learning that a verdict had not been reached adjourned court until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. One of the jurors arose and stated he did not think it possible for them to agree, and asked to be discharged, but the judge replied that he did not feel justified in discharging them to-night.

to trial until some time after the holidays. His mother is here awaiting the outcome of the indictments against Sidna.

**Xmas Furs**

You can't go wrong if you invest in Furs for yourself or for somebody's Christmas gifts. Fur of some sort is the accepted complement of every outdoor costume, not alone for its comfort and beauty, but for its gracefulness and air of luxury.

Fur Sets and Separate Muffs and Scarfs

A splendid holiday assortment of best qualities and styles from which to make your selection. Every fur in every desirable grade, temptingly priced.

Chas. Haase & Sons
119 W. Broad Street, Masonic Temple Block,
Richmond, - - - Virginia.

GUVERNATOR THE CATERER
PHONE MONROE 2396
Service and Equipment the Best in the City
ESTIMATES AND NEW IDEAS CHEERFULLY SUBMITTED

STANDARD
New Complete Descriptive Book or Individual Report on Subdivisions to Investors
CALL H. PFORZHEIMER
Phone, 4800-1, 2-4 Broad St. 25 Broad St., N.Y.

Old Dominion Floor Co.
Floors Laid, Scraped and Finished
Specialists on refinishing old floors.
Q. W. ALEXANDER, Manager,
910 West Main Street,
Richmond, Va.

THOUSANDS DON'T PAY THEIR TAXES

City Has More Than 20,000 Outstanding Accounts Past Due.

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

Scott's Addition Would Enter City—Aldermen Pass on Heavy Docket.

Concurrence was refused by the Board of Aldermen last night in an ordinance providing for employment of street collectors for delinquent personal taxes, the collectors to be paid a 20 per cent commission, in addition to the 5 per cent fee provided by law for the collector of delinquent taxes. The ordinance prepared by the special accountant had been approved by two committees, and came from the Common Council for concurrence. President Adams left the chair to approve the measure as setting a bad precedent. He thought 25 per cent an excessive amount to pay for collections. The city employs a Collector of Taxes and a Collector of Delinquent Taxes, and Mr. Adams considered it the duty of the latter official to collect the sums as well as the large accounts. A mercantile agency, Mr. Adams said, would collect the bills for 10 per cent.

Now Losing Large Sum.
Chairman Grundy, of the Finance Committee, defended the ordinance, stating that there were now fully 20,000 accounts outstanding in sums of from \$1 to \$5, amounting in all to more than \$100,000.

"If you can collect them, even at a cost of one-fourth, you will be getting something for nothing," said Colonel Grundy. Mr. Puller agreed that it was wise to pay enough to secure collections of the small as well as the larger accounts. Mr. Grundy thought it meant a general increase of 20 per cent in the cost of collection, as little effort would be made to collect bills until they had reached the age when the larger commission would apply. Mr. Adams's motion to amend, by making the commission 10 per cent, was rejected. The roll was called on concurrence, and the ordinance declared concurred in, 7 to 6, the noses being Messrs. Grundy, Melton, Mitchell, Nelson, Paul and Adams. Later the point of order was raised by Mr. Melton that the paper obligated the city to the payment of unknown sums of money in commissions, and so required a two-thirds vote. The ordinance was thereupon reconsidered, and sent back to the Committee on Finance.

Some Papers Concurred In.

The Board concurred in the following papers:

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract between the city and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company for extension of the Church Hill Tunnel at Thirty-first and Grace Streets.

Resolution approving award of contract to McGraw & Vandoren for sewer in Seventh Street, South Richmond, to cost \$17,599.63, and to T. E. Elmore & Co. for sewer in Thirtieth Street from Stockton to Hull, and in Hull Street from Third to Seventh Street, to cost \$5,137.

Resolution confirming award of contract to A. W. Maynard for extension of the Church Hill Tunnel, to cost \$8,540.25.

Resolution appropriating \$750 to pave sidewalk in front of Home for Incurables and \$1,100 to pave sidewalks around the William F. Fox School on Hanover Avenue.

Increases in Pay.
Resolutions allowing the following increases in pay: Trimmers city electric plant to \$2.50 per day each; master machinist Fire Department, from \$105 to \$125 per month; Assistant Superintendent Water Works, and Superintendent Pumping Stations, to \$2,600 per annum each; laborers at Marshall and New Reservoirs, to \$2.10 per day each; keeper New Reservoir, to \$75 per month and house; valetmen Light Department, to 30 cents per hour each.

Appropriating \$1,525 to pay grading damages fixed by ordinance to Mary Sweeney and others, and \$1,185 to pay grading damages to property owners on Floyd Avenue between Park and Meadow Streets. In the latter case it was stated that there are no funds available with which to do the actual grading, though the city is paying the alleged damages to property owners for the privilege.

An ordinance was concurred in amending the building code in reference to the time concrete must be allowed to stand in forms, as was an ordinance in reference to the duties of the City Chemist.

Crutchfield's Pay Increased.
On recommendation of the Committee on Finance, the Board adopted an ordinance fixing the pay of Police Justice Crutchfield at \$2,300, instead of \$2,625, the amount fixed some years ago as in lieu of all fees. The increase puts the Police Justice on a par in the matter of salary with the Justice of the Civil Court, although the latter is elected by the State Legislature, while the Police Justice is designated by the City Council.

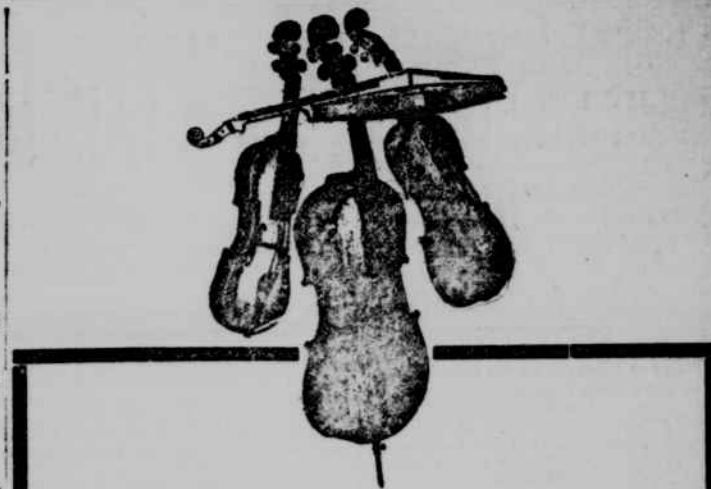
The Ordinance, Charter and Reform Committee for a second time recommended for adoption an ordinance allowing an increase in the rates charged for carriages at funerals from \$2.50 to \$4. Alderman Paul, of Clay Ward, made his maiden speech in the Board in opposition, contending that the price of horse feed has lately been considerably reduced, and that no sufficient reason for increasing the burden on the poorer classes had been shown. The ordinance was adopted by a vote of 10 to 3. Messrs. Melton, Mitchell and Paul voting no.

On roll call, Mr. Nelson offered a resolution for improvement of Leigh Street, from Thirty-fourth to Thirty-sixth, which went to the Committee on Streets.

Want to Be Annexed.
Mr. Gilman presented a petition of property owners in Scott's Addition, the section lying just outside of the city limits north of Broad Street and west of the Boulevard, to be annexed to the city, which was referred to the Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform. It is to be considered Thursday night in connection with other annexation papers.

Mr. Disney presented a petition from the Virginia State Fair Association for relief from rent of the Fair Grounds, which went to the Committee on Finance, and by request of Mr. Powers presented an ordinance authorizing the Police Board to employ a matron at the First Police Station, which went to the Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform.

Just before adjournment Mr. Disney asked what had become of the special committee on rules, which has as yet

**Musical Instruments as Christmas Gifts**

Through the gift of a Musical Instrument you express your self at your best—you show your thoughtfulness and convey the Christmas spirit as in no other way.

To a friend or loved one musically inclined such a gift is ideal, and it will be long remembered and treasured. We offer you practically an unlimited assortment of musical instruments of all kinds from which to choose.

VIOLINS, CELLOS, MANDOLINS, GUITARS, BANJOS, CORNETS, ACCORDEONS, BANJO MANDOLINS, ZITHERS, CLARIONETS, PICCOLOS, FLUTES,

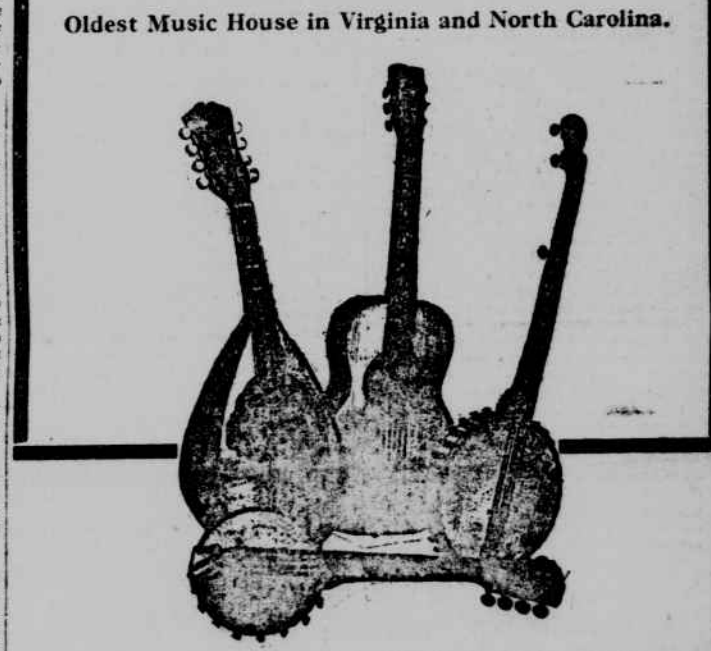
and various other instruments.

This department is replete with every requirement of the musician.

Bring joy to some one Christmas morning by making your gift a musical instrument.

Make your selections now while stocks are complete, and we will gladly hold your purchase for Christmas delivery.

Walter D. Moses & Co.
103 East Broad Street.
Oldest Music House in Virginia and North Carolina.



presented no report for rules governing the Council after January 1, as instructed. President Adams, a member of the committee, said it had never been called, but that he would ask the chairman to call a meeting at once.

Triple Sales of Tobacco.
Winston-Salem, N. C., December 10.—For the first time in the history of the local leaf tobacco market, triple sales were conducted to-day. With this sales were blocked. The breaks are the largest in the history of the town.

Parker-Wood.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Fredericksburg, Va., December 10.—Harry Parker, of King George County, and Miss Bessie Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wood, were married a few days ago at Centreville Baptist Church, at Pentress, Va., Rev. A. W. Burfoot officiating. Miss George Mae Wood was the maid of honor, and Dr. Williams, of King George County, acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Parker left for a bridal trip to Northern cities, after which they will reside at their home in King George County.

MORPHINE BACCO Habits Cured
by new patent method. NO DEPOSIT OR FEE required until cure is effected. Endorsed by Governor and other State officials. Home or sanatorium treatment. Booklet free.
DR. POWER GRIBBLE, Supt.,
Cedarcroft Sanitarium,
Box 885, Lebanon, Tenn.

Let us tell you the secret;—she uses
DAVIS BAKING POWDER
DAVIS

That's the reason her breads, cakes and pastry are always so delicious. 1 lb. 20c.—½ lb. 10c.—¼ lb. 5c.
All good Grocers sell it or will get it for you.

**Light Your Kitchen with a Rayo Bracket Lamp**

Sometimes in the kitchen or elsewhere you need a lamp held high, where it will light the whole room, and be out of the reach of children. The Rayo Bracket Lamp is made for exactly this purpose. It is one of the famous Rayo Family—the best kerosene lamps made. A clear, white light, steady, diffused. A strong, substantial bracket, easily affixed to the wall. The lamp is inexpensive. Economical. Lighted without removing chimney or shade. Rayo Lamps are made in various styles and for all purposes.

At Dealers Everywhere
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
(Incorporated in New Jersey)
Newark, N. J. Baltimore, Md.